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WASHINGTON, D. C., Mar. 12.—After a conference today in which President Taft, Senator Crane, Director McKinley of the Taft bureau and Secretary Hilles took part, it became known that the president insisted that the Taft literature bureau no longer indulge in personalities nor in attacks on Colonel Roosevelt.

It is said that the Taft leaders will devote their energies to third terms, recall of judicial decisions and other questions of national importance.

REALTY SALE

Amounting to \$10,550 Are
Made in One Week by
Local Company.

Real estate transactions to the amount of \$10,550 have been negotiated by the Willson and Dennison Company during the last week, which indicates that spring activity in the business is opening.

The company's sales were as follows: Two houses and lots on Keller Hill, owned by Jeanne D. Ford, of Cleveland, O., to Edith D. Newlon for \$4,200; Willson-Earle Company, lot 35 by 40 feet at the corner of Traders and Stewart's alley, to Henry Heinze, at \$3,500; house and lot on Jarvis street from Mary Goldie Willson to Rocco Mazziotto at \$2,500; and two lots in the West End Land Company's second Stealey addition at \$350.

BOATS LOST

In Lake Erie with Crews of
Eight Men on Board
of Them.

ERIE, Pa., Mar. 12.—It is feared that two ice boats with eight men on board racing from Cleveland to this port, have been lost in Lake Erie. They left Cleveland yesterday morning and have not been heard from since passing Conneaut, O.

TIN PLATE PLANTS MAY BE MERGED

Negotiations On to Consoli-
date Phillips and LaBelle
Companies.

WHEELING, March 12.—The LaBelle Iron Works Company and the Phillips Sheet & Tin Company, both West Virginia corporations, the first named with its plants at Steubenville and Wheeling, the second with plants at Clarksburg, Weirton and Steubenville, probably will consolidate. The matter will be definitely determined at a meeting today by committees representing the controlling interests of both companies.

Efforts preliminary to a merger have been going forward for several days, but it was not until yesterday that the fact became known outside the two companies and then only to those who saw fit to inquire for a tangible explanation of the sudden jump in LaBelle stock on the local market. It opened at 145 yesterday morning and closed at 150, which means an advance of fully twenty points in ten days, for barely more than a week ago the stock might have been had for 130. The inquiry brought out the explanation, from an unofficial but authoritative source, that each company had a properly accredited committee making an investigation and that these committees will "compare notes" at the meeting today.

DRY'S WIN

MORGANTOWN, Mar. 12.—At the municipal election just held, the town was voted "dry" by a majority of one vote, the ballots cast being 291 for license and 292 against. J. R. Burt, of the Citizens ticket, was elected mayor over C. H. Lee on the People's ticket by a majority of 11.

EX-REPRESENTATIVE PRISONER IN MEXICO



JOHN C. CHANEY
and his wife

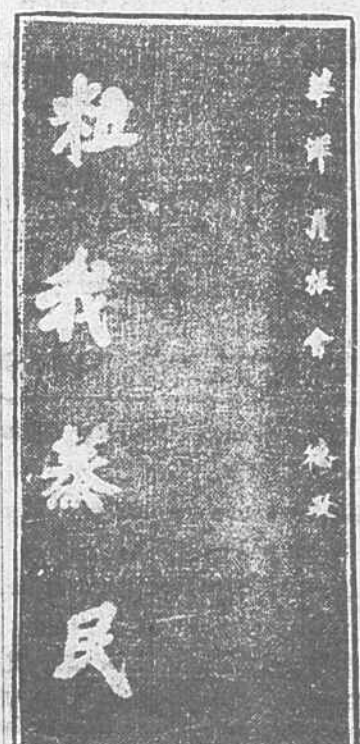
Mrs. John C. Chaney has asked the state department at Washington to locate her husband, the former congressman from Indiana, who is believed to be a prisoner in the hands of Mexican insurgents. He went to Mexico some time ago with eight other men. Mrs. Chaney received a report that they were captured by a rebel force, and has had no word from her husband since.

WARD CONVENTIONS

Are to Be Held Tonight to
Nominate Candidates for
City Council.

Republican ward conventions will be held tonight at 7:30 o'clock to nominate candidates for council and name delegates to the city convention tomorrow night. The first ward will meet in the Clifford building, the Second at the Carille school house, the Third in G. H. Gordon's office, the Fourth in the Armstrong club house and the Fifth in the city council room.

CHINA SENDS ODD LETTER OF THANKS



CHINA'S LETTER OF THANKS

This shows a part of the official letter of thanks sent by China to the Red Cross society of this country. It is inscribed on a piece of red silk, six feet square. It reads: "You have supplied a multitude of our people with provisions. Respectfully presented by Yushu, representing the Municipal Bureau of the city, for the relief of famine sufferers of the Mengghen district."

DETECTIVE PERKINS IS TAKEN TO PRISON AT LEAVENWORTH

To Serve Three Years for
Sending Black Hand Let-
ter to Mrs. Strong.

PITTSBURG, Pa., Mar. 12.—Gilbert Perkins, head of the Perkins Detective Agency here, and Charles Franklin, former manager of the Philadelphia branch, were taken to the Leavenworth prison today, where Perkins must serve three years and Franklin five for sending Black Hand letters to Mrs. Charles Strong, wife of an Erie, Pa., millionaire, after the tomb of her father, former Congressman Scott, had been desecrated.

Perkins is 70 years old.

DIAMOND THIEF

Causes a Chicago Woman to
Become Ill in An Atlan-
ta Hotel.

ATLANTA, Mar. 12.—Mrs. Helen D. Roseboom, of Chicago, is ill in a hotel here following the discovery that her diamond rings valued at \$2,000 had been stolen from her room.

GLEN FALLS

Boy Passes Away after a
Short Illness of Typhoid-
Pneumonia.

James E. White, aged 12 years, son of Edward White, of Glen Falls, died Monday at midnight in a local hospital after a short illness of typhoid pneumonia.

The boy had been ill but a short time as he was well enough to attend school the first of last week, but pneumonia set in from a bad cold and it was followed in a few days by typhoid. The boy's condition was not strong enough to combat the two diseases and the end soon came.

The funeral arrangements have not been made yet but it will be some time Wednesday afternoon.

NOTARIES PUBLIC

Qualify before the County
Court and a Certificate
is Issued.

Ray L. Strother and B. H. Post qualified Tuesday before the county court as notaries public.

An order issued to the Standard Oil Company and dated October 11 was cancelled the same having been included in another order issued to that concern.

The members of the court will view a proposed road on Jones run in Eagle district.

A certificate upon which to obtain a notary public commission was issued to Robert M. Heffner.

It was ordered that bids for the construction of a sidewalk at the bridge crossing the West Fork river at Enterprise be advertised for and that the bids received be opened April 1.

IMPORTANT

Meeting to Be Held by Members of
Methodist Protestant Church.

All members and friends of the Methodist Protestant church are requested to be present at 7:30 o'clock Thursday evening at the chapel as there is special business to be transacted. The Rev. U. W. Morrison, president of the Board of Church Extension; the Rev. J. N. Holt, of the West Virginia Conference; and the Rev. Charles H. Beck, secretary of the Board of Home Missions, will be present.

NARROW ESCAPE

SISTERSVILLE, March 12.—Mrs. Jacob Hawkins' skirts were caught in a revolving wheel of an engine in the Tyler Oil Company's gasoline plant and she was rapidly drawn toward the machinery, but with rare presence of mind she caught hold of a beam and saved herself from being crushed to death. All her clothing was torn from her.

CHICAGO GRAIN MARKET.

CHICAGO, Mar. 12.—May wheat closed 1.04, corn 71 7-8, oats 53 5-8.



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CHARLES W. RUSSELL, AMERICAN MINISTER AT TEHERAN

MOST of Minister Russell's professional life has been spent in the service of the United States department of justice, with which he was connected for twenty years, rising from a clerkship to a position of such trust that he was chosen to investigate the title to the Panama canal and to effect the transfer of the property to the United States, to act as legal adviser to the government of the canal zone and to investigate charges of peonage in the southern states. He was assistant attorney general when he was appointed in 1909 to represent the United States at Teheran, Persia.

REAL ESTATE DEALS OF SOME MAGNITUDE

In Which the Highland Lot
and Lowe Block Here
Change Hands.

Virgil L. Highland has sold to Ellis P. Frost, of Huntington, and Miss Hazel A. Frost, of this city, a lot adjoining the new Union National Bank building on South Third street. The lot has a frontage of twenty feet and a depth of eighty feet. The price paid was \$10,000. The purchasers will erect a fine business building on the lot. The sale was made through the real estate agency of Alexander and Alexander.

Mr. Frost and associates in the Frost liquor store have closed a contract with the Latstetter heirs by which they will have their old location for their liquor store and the same will be moved from its present site to the old location as soon as a building is erected there.

Curtis E. Prunty has acquired the ownership of the Miss Nannie R. Lowe building on the east side of the new Union National Bank building, whose value is \$70,000 or more, part of the consideration being cash and the residue other property.

HOOPER SURE

Of Re-Election by a Majority
20,000 in Excess of That
Two Years Ago.

NAEVILLE, Tenn., Mar. 12.—When the Republican state convention opened here today, Governor Hooper declared that he was sure of renomination, and he said that he would be elected by 20,000 in excess of his majority two years ago. The convention handled state matters only, that to select national convention delegates not being scheduled for two months yet.

LABOR LEADERS PLEAD IN COURT

BEN HUR TRIBE IS FORMED HERE

Local Branch of Fraternal In-
surance Order, Started
with Sixty Members.

With sixty charter members, a local branch of the Tribe of Ben Hur has been organized here by C. M. Johnson, of Parkersburg, state manager of the order. The local tribe is known as number 12. The order is a fraternal insurance association with headquarters at Crawfordsville, Ind., and both men and women are eligible to membership.

Officers have already been elected for the local tribe, as follows:

- Walker Robertson, past chief.
- S. M. Singers, chief.
- W. R. Talbot, judge.
- Mrs. Ocie McCune, teacher.
- A. T. Matthews, scribe.
- C. R. DeForest, keeper of tribute.
- John A. Porter, captain.
- C. G. Squires, guide.
- Miss Leona Montgomery, outer guard.
- Ray E. Whitsel, inner guard.

Arrangements have been completed by Mr. Johnson for a big meeting of the tribe Thursday night, March 21 in Hoffman Hall, at which R. H. Girard, the supreme chief, and R. H. Steele, instructor of the secret work, both of Crawfordsville, will deliver addresses.

CHALLENGED

Peremptorily is Col. Roose-
velt as Juror in a Big
Damage Suit.

MENLOA, E. I., Mar. 12.—Colonel Roosevelt was drawn as a juror in a \$30,000 damage suit action of Michael Carmody against the New York Central Railroad Company today, but was peremptorily challenged by counsel for the plaintiff, who did not explain why he exercised this right.

COAL IS SOLD.

SUTTON, March 12.—The holdings of the Consolidation Coal and Coke Company in Braxton county, covering more than 10,000 acres of coal lands, have been sold at sheriff's sale here for \$49,800 to W. H. Martin, an attorney of Uniontown, Pa.

CUSTOMS APPEAL DECLARED VALID

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE HEALER DISMISSED



WILLIS V. COLE

W. Vernon Cole, Christian Science healer who was on trial in criminal court in New York on a charge of practicing medicine without a license, has been freed by a disagreement of the jury which considered his case. The evidence showed Cole explained to the detective who called on him in the guise of a patient that he did not give medicine, but only Christian Science treatment. Eight of the jurors voted for acquittal.

Motion to Quash the Indict-
ments Are Overruled by
the Judge.

AN ATTACK IS MADE

Then by the Defense Alleging
the Law Had Not Been
Violated.

INDIANAPOLIS, Mar. 12.—Forty-six labor leaders charged with unlawful interstate transportation of explosives, alleged to have been used in a five-year campaign of terrorism against the open shop in the structural iron industry throughout the country, appeared in the federal court here today to plead to the indictments. One hundred explosions are alleged to have occurred.

Attorney Zoline for the defense argued a motion to quash the indictments but the motion was overruled by Judge Anderson. He then attacked the indictments, alleging that there had been no violation of law in transporting explosives.

TEACHERS

Of Coal District Are to Attend
Round Table Meeting at
Fairmont.

The Board of Education of Coal district has unanimously consented for their teachers to attend the Monongahela Round Table Friday, March 15, at Fairmont.

There are forty-two teachers in the district and they will all be expected to attend as the schools will be dismissed for that purpose. The teachers are all planning to leave the Interscholar station here at 7:00 a. m. and will meet with teachers down the line, who will take the same car in order to visit the schools at Fairmont in the forenoon and then attend the sessions of the round table in the afternoon.

In order that they may best qualify themselves for the work so important to teachers and pupils, it is necessary that all teachers should make use of these meetings, they stimulate, and awaken desire to do the work of the school in a whole-hearted way. It must be admitted that in order to live and get the most out of life, it becomes necessary to put money and time into the same. Teachers need to stock up for their work and be ready for business every day. And those who get the most from educational gatherings are the people who put the most into them, in the way of attention and interest.

Tariff Law Decision of Sweep- ing Importance is Ren- dered by Court.

WASHINGTON, Mar. 12.—A decision of sweeping importance in the administration of the tariff law, declaring that an importer can appeal from an assessment of duty by the collector of customs on the grounds that the assessment is too low, was rendered by the court of customs appeals today.

The decision means that manufacturers, disagreeing with the treasury department's interpretation of the tariff act, can import a total shipment and appeal to the customs court to give more protection through higher duties.

SEVERELY SCORED

Are Federation of Labor Offi-
cials by An Attorney in
Court.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Mar. 12.—Samuel Gompers, Frank Morrison and John Mitchell, Federation of Labor officials, who are being tried in the supreme court of the District of Columbia, were severely scored by Attorney Darlington of the prosecutor's committee today, who characterized their alleged violation of an injunction as "flagrant and defiant."